

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



FROM: Supervisor John J. Benoit

SUBMITTAL DATE: March 3, 2015

SUBJECT: COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND BOARDS ACTION

Committee or Board: Coachella Valley Resource Conservation District

RECOMMENDED MOTION: The Board of Supervisors appoint new member to the District:

Appointment Authority: Public Resources Code 9314. (b)

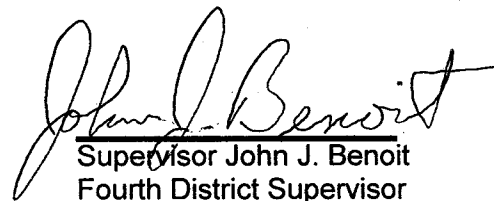
Member: Dr. Emily Nelson
76343 Fairway Drive
Indian Wells, CA 92210
760-568-6107

Replaces: Ryan Bowen

Term of Appointment: Remainder of terms ending November 28, 2016.

BACKGROUND/APPOINTEE INFORMATION:

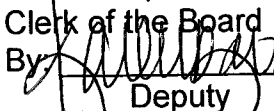
The Coachella Valley Resource Conservation District (CVRCD) promotes the conservation and wise use of natural resources in the Coachella Valley. The CVRCD is a property tax-funded, independent state special district that works through public and private partnerships to assist farmers, homeowners, municipalities, golf course superintendents and other land users conserve soil, water, air, plant and animal resources.


Supervisor John J. Benoit
Fourth District Supervisor

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

On motion of Supervisor Benoit, seconded by Supervisor Washington and duly carried,
IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes: Jeffries, Washington, Benoit and Ashley
Nays: None
Absent: Tavaglione
Date: March 10, 2015
xc: Supvr. Benoit, District, Appointee, COB

Kecia Harper-Ihem
Clerk of the Board
By: 
Deputy

Submittal of the Board of Supervisor, County of Riverside, State of California
FORM 11: Coachella Valley Resource Conservation District
DATE: March 3, 2014

California resource conservation districts (RCDs) are established, governed and authorized under Division 9 of the Public Resources Code. RCDs work to conduct:

- Watershed planning and management
- Water conservation, quality protection and enhancement
- Agricultural land conservation
- Wetland and wildlife conservation and habitat enhancement
- Recreational land restoration
- Conservation education

One qualified candidate has applied to fill the vacancy, Dr. Emily Nelson.

Dr. Nelson is a native of the Coachella Valley and graduate of Indio High School. She earned her Bachelor's degree in Biology from UCLA, a Master of Science from Duke University and her Doctorate in Environmental Science and Engineering from UCLA. Her focus in her studies was making the wise use of natural resources.

Dr. Nelson has served as the Coachella Valley Association of Government's science advisor to the Energy and Environment Resources Committee for twenty-seven years. She also chairs the Coachella Valley's PM10 Technical Working group, which helped the area move from serious nonattainment to attainment in the federal air quality standard. The effort required collaboration from the agriculture and building industries and numerous governmental agencies.

**APPLICATION FOR THE OFFICE OF DIRECTOR
RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT
(P.R.C. § 9314; E.C. § 10511)**

Coachella Valley Resource Conservation District
(Name of District)

Pursuant to section 9314 of the California Public Resources Code, no election will be held for the purpose of electing directors to term ending offices. In lieu of election, the governing board has requested that the County Board of Supervisors appoint a qualified candidate from the list of persons who have filed an application.

I, Emily Nelson, hereby declare that I am a qualified applicant for the office of director and that I meet the qualifications as follows: (check the appropriate boxes)

1. ☒ A registered voter of the state in the county of Riverside and

2. ☒ Resident landowner within the district or
☐ Designated agent of _____, Resident Landowner
(letter attached)

76343 Fairway Drive, Indian Wells, CA 92210 and 633234004
(Landowner's qualifying address) (Parcel Number)

3. ☐ Associate Director for the district for 2 years or more

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on: February 12, 2015 at 76343 Fairway Drive, Indian Wells, CA


Signature of Applicant

(760) 568-6107
Telephone Number(s)

76343 Fairway Drive, Indian Wells, California 92210
Residence address of Applicant

Mailing address if different from residence

SEE OTHER SIDE FOR STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS

APPLICANT'S STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS

STATEMENT OF Emily Pearson Nelson

APPLICANT FOR APPOINTMENT TO DIRECTOR OF: Coachella Valley Resource Conservation District
(Name of District)

OCCUPATION Health and Environmental Risk Consultant AGE 57
(Optional)

EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS: (in not more than 200 words, please indicate below what you feel are your qualifications for holding this office and what you hope to contribute to the direction of the Resource Conservation District)

(Please type, or write plainly)

I have a Master of Science degree from Duke University's School of the Environment and a Doctorate of Environmental Science and Engineering from UCLA in which my focus has always been to make wise use of our natural resources. I have served for twenty-seven years as a science advisor to the Coachella Valley Association of Governments' Energy and Environmental Resources Committee. I also served as the Chair of Coachella Valley's PM10 Technical Working Group for seven years during which our air quality was improved from Serious Nonattainment to Attainment of the Federal Air Quality Standard. This effort required successfully working with several local and regional agencies, the agricultural industry as well as the Building Industry Association and became a model for EPA and the South Coast Air Quality Management District. As a result, I received the Clean Air Award from the District in 1998.

I have also worked with CVAG, UCR and golf course superintendents to maintain clean air and conserve water and topsoil during Coachella Valley's turf reseeding season.

My goal in serving as a Director of the Resource Conservation District would be to balance the needs of air, water and soil conservation with agricultural and urban development.

OFFICE QUALIFICATIONS

I, Emily Nelson wish to file as a candidate for the office of
(Name of Candidate)

Director of the Coachella Valley Resource Conservation District
(Name of District)

Name under which property is owned: Daniel H. and Emily D. P. Nelson

Address of Property: 76343 Fairway Drive, Indian Wells, CA 92210

Parcel/APN #: 633234004
Obtain from Property Tax Bill

Official Use Only
Candidates do not complete this section of form

State of California)
County of Riverside) ss.

CERTIFICATE OF LANDOWNER

This is to certify the above named property owner is ☒ is not ☐ owner of the property listed above within the Coachella Valley Resource Cons. Dist. as shown on the last equalized assessment roll of the Assessor of the County of Riverside.

Dated: 2-18-15

PETER ALDANA
County Assessor

By: Wally G. Warrick
Deputy

Return this form to the Registrar of Voters - 2724 Gateway Drive, Riverside, CA 92507
The assessor will complete this section

COCOPAH NURSERIES INC.

(a "young" family company)

81-880 Arus Ave. - Indio, California 92201

Office 760-347-5678, fx 760-342-6188

from the desk of duane lee young

Duane Young email = duaneyoung@aol.com

February 12, 2015

Ms. Rebecca Spencer
Registrar of Voters
2724 Gateway Drive
Riverside, CA 92507

Re: Appointment of Emily Nelson to the Coachella Valley Resource Conservation District

Dear Ms. Spencer,

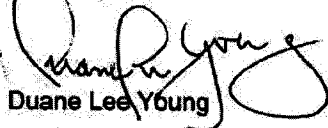
Cocopah Nurseries Inc. / W D Young and Sons as well as myself, are the owners of numerous parcels located within the boundaries of the Coachella Valley Resource Conservation District (District).

Some of the parcel numbers are 691-050-009, 691-050-011, 691-050-012, 616-190-006-5, 607-100-009-3

As a resident landowner in the district I am naming Emily Nelson as my designated agent, I would like Ms. Emily Nelson to be appointed to the board of directors of the Coachella Valley Resource Conservation District (District)..

Thank you very much for your consideration. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,


Duane Lee Young

For Himself; As VP of Cocopah Nurseries "as well as", VP of W. D. Young and Sons Inc.